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The Right Honourable Mark Carney
Prime Minister of Canada
Office of the Prime Minister
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Dear Prime Minister,

The United States' cruel and unlawful blockade of Cuba is inflicting widespread misery across the island's population. It has triggered extended power outages, severe shortages of fuel, water, food and medical supplies. People are suffering. There are signs of acute hunger. The US has also intensified its demand for regime change in Cuba. Such acts constitute a grave breach of international law.

Last week the Communist Party of Cuba introduced sweeping measures to liberalize foreign and domestic investment in the country's economy. One news outlet reports that the emergency policy package "envisions expanding opportunities for private enterprise, greater autonomy for municipalities and state-owned companies, and measures to attract additional foreign investment, including from Cubans abroad."

Such economic liberalization measures have been called for by the US and others for many years. Cuba's reform package provides a diplomatic path out of the impasse brought about by the United States through its decades-long trade embargo and can put an end to the spectre of US military intervention.

Canada should work with the US and Cuban governments and other partners in the Western hemisphere, including Mexico and Brazil, as well as with China, to facilitate and fund the economic and political transition in Cuba.

Thank you for your attention to this urgent matter. We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,



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cc. The Honourable Anita Anand, Minister of Foreign Affairs